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2005 Annual Conference
Monday, February 28, 2005

RHODE ISLAND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP FOR HIV PREVENTION

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Providence Marriott

1 Orms Street, Providence, R.I.

Luncheon & Program

Noon - 5:30 p.m.

Reception & Awards Ceremony

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Co-sponsored by:

- Rhode Island Community Planning Group for HIV Prevention
- Rhode Island Department of Health Office of HIV & AIDS

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Agenda

11:45 a.m.

Registration

Noon

Welcoming Remarks

Elisa DelBonis

Community Co-Chair,
RICPG

Prevention Supervisor,
AIDS Care Ocean State

Paul Loberti

Co-Chair, RICPG

Chief Administrator,
R.I. Department of Health
Office of HIV & AIDS

Walter Chow

Project Officer,
Division of HIV/AIDS
Prevention, U.S. Centers
for Disease Control
and Prevention

12:15

Networking Luncheon

12:30

Unveiling of the
2005 Rhode Island
Comprehensive Plan
for HIV Prevention

12:45

Keynote Address

HIV Prevention:
Successes and Challenges

Larry Kessler

Founding Director,
AIDS Action Committee
of Massachusetts

2:00

Session One: Priority
Population Workshops

- **Men Engaging in Unprotected Sex with Men** and/or Men Engaging in Unprotected Sex with Men and Women
- **Injecting Drug Users** and Other Substance Users and Their Partners
- **Women** Engaging in Unprotected Sex with Men
- **Youth** Engaging in Unprotected Sex, Alcohol and Other Drug Use

3:30

Session Two: Priority
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5:00

Workshop Wrap-Up
& Closing Remarks/
Next Steps

5:30 - 7:30

Reception &
Awards Ceremony
Honoring Unsung Heroes

About the Conference

Goals of the 2005 Annual Conference

- To highlight the Rhode Island Community Planning Group's role in HIV prevention
- To unveil the 2005 Comprehensive HIV Prevention Plan and engage the community in discussions regarding the Plan
- To identify gaps in prevention services for priority populations, and to develop solutions
- To offer an opportunity for networking with other professionals in the field, legislators, and key public health officials, in order to build capacity within the HIV prevention profession
- To showcase the work of HIV prevention programs throughout the state
- To honor Unsung Heroes who work tirelessly in the areas of HIV prevention and care

Who should attend the Conference?

Individuals working in the health care field who seek current HIV prevention information and practice guidelines.

What will participants gain from attending the Conference?

The RICPG will update the community on the 2005 Rhode Island Comprehensive Plan for HIV Prevention and gather information about priority populations identified in the Plan. Participants will receive an expanded executive summary of the 2005 Plan.

The reception and annual HIV Leadership Awards ceremony will immediately follow the conference. This year's awards focus on *Unsung Heroes* who provide previously unrecognized service to the community.

What are the Priority Population Workshops?

The Workshops will consist of a panel presentation and discussion facilitated by an RICPG member. There will be two sessions of Workshops focusing on the RICPG's four priority populations. Each Conference participant will have the opportunity to participate in two different Priority Population Workshops, the first during Session One, at 2 p.m., and the second during Session Two, at 3:30 p.m.

Is there a fee to attend the Conference?

The fee for the luncheon and program portion of the Conference is \$20 per person. The reception & awards ceremony, which individuals are welcome to attend even if they do not participate in the program, is free of charge.

If unable to pay the Conference fee, individuals may request a scholarship by contacting Lorraine Kaul at lkaul@ids.net or 401.397.5616, or by completing and submitting the scholarship request form on the RICPG web site: <http://www.ricpg.org>.

Will there be vendor tables at the conference?

Not-for-profit agencies may have a display table at the conference without cost. For-profits may have a display table for a fee of \$25. Tables are limited in number and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. To book a table, contact Lorraine Kaul at lkaul@ids.net or 401.397.5616.

About the RICPG

The **RICPG** is a coalition of community members who work together to help prevent the spread of HIV in Rhode Island. The diverse group includes those living with HIV/AIDS, their partners and families, service providers, state department representatives, and concerned citizens. The mission of the RICPG is to empower the community through strategic planning, community engagement, and the education of key stakeholders. The RICPG was established in 1994 by the Rhode Island Department of Health Office of HIV & AIDS, through a mandate from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

About the Keynote Speaker

In 1983, **Larry Kessler** founded AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts, which has served most people diagnosed with AIDS in Massachusetts and secured progressive regional and federal AIDS policy. In 1989, he was nominated by the U.S. Senate to serve on the National Commission on AIDS, and has since served on the boards of numerous organizations, including AIDS Action Council, National AIDS Network, and Harvard AIDS Institute.



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Registration Form

Cut along the dotted line and send this completed form to:
RICPG, P.O. Box 435, Foster, RI 02825.

Please reply no later than February 18, 2005.

Name _____
Organization _____
Mailing Address _____
Phone Number _____
Email Address _____

Please ☒ which you plan to attend
(you are welcome to attend either or both):
☐ Luncheon & Program (\$20 registration fee)
☐ Reception & Awards Ceremony (free)

Please note any dietary restrictions: _____

If you are attending the luncheon and program, please ☒ one:

- ☐ Enclosed find a \$20 check for my registration fee
(make check payable to "Uptyme").
- ☐ I plan to request a scholarship.

Workshop Session One (2:00 p.m.)

Please specify your first two choices
(1 = 1st choice, 2 = 2nd choice)

MSM _____ Women _____ IDU _____ Youth _____

Workshop Session Two (3:30 p.m.)

Please specify your first two choices
(1 = 1st choice, 2 = 2nd choice)

MSM _____ Women _____ IDU _____ Youth _____

Questions? Please contact Lorraine Kaul at 401.397.5616 or lkaul@ids.net. Conference brochure and registration form are also posted at www.ricpg.org.

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